

# If I Had My Way

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I would tear this building down  
Tear this building down You read about Sampson and from his birth  
The strongest man that ever lived on Earth  
One day old Sampson was walking alone  
He looked down on the ground and he saw an old jaw-bone  
He swung it over his head, swung it over his head  
When he start moving ten thousand was dead If I had my way  
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Tear this building down Sampson and the lion got in attack  
Sampson joined up on the lion's back  
You read about this lion, he killed a man with his paw  
Sampson he got his hands around the lion's jaw  
He ripped that beast till the lion was dead  
The bees made honey in the lion's head If I had my way  
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Tear this building down Delilah was a woman so fine and fair  
She had a lovely good looks and a coal black hair  
Delilah came down on Samson's mind  
First he saw a woman of the Philistines  
She set down on Samson's knees  
Tell me where your strength lies if you please  
She spoke so kind, talked so fair  
Samson told "Delilah cut off my hair,  
Shave my head, clean as your hand  
And my strength will be like a natural man." Took old Samson by surprise  
They picked up a stick and then they punched out his eyes  
Backing down to the judgment hall  
Chained him to the stone cold wall  
They left him there 'til his hair turn brown  
Strength to tear that building down If I had my way  
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